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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q54188

Marco PIVA, et al.

Appln. No. 09/320,643

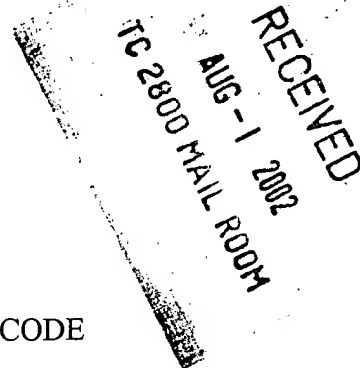
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For: AN APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR READING AN OPTICAL CODE



PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of three months, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of January 29, 2002 to July 29, 2002.

A check for the statutory fee of \$920.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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